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Senator Gershaw Writes From Ottawa

The immigration problem is one of interest at the present time. Differing people have different ideas on the subject. Some maintain that strangers should not be allowed to enter until all our ex-service men are employed. Others take the view that they never will be employed until many new people come in to make a market for goods and to create employment. There are few vacant houses and there is at the moment a shortage of building material.

People from the British Isles may come in. Also any person at present who has been legally admitted to Canada can bring in others in the following classes:

The wife or unmarried child under eighteen years of age of any person legally admitted to and resident in Canada who is in a position to receive and care for his dependents.

The father or mother, the unmarried son or daughter, eighteen years of age or over of the unmarried brother or sister, the orphan nephew or niece under sixteen years of age, or any person legally admitted to and resident in Canada who is in a position to receive and care for his intended wife.

A person who, having entered Canada as a non-immigrant, enlisted in the Canadian armed forces and, having served in such forces, has been honorably discharged.

The following have been added to admissible classes:

The widowed daughter or sister (with or without unmarried children under 18 years of age) of a legal resident of Canada who is in a position to receive and care for such relatives.

An agriculturist entering Canada to farm when destined to a father, family-law, son, son-in-law, brother, brother-in-law, uncle or nephew engaged in agriculture as his principal occupation who is in a position to receive and establish him on a farm.

A farm laborer entering Canada to engage in assured farm employment.

A person experienced in mining, lumbering or logging entering Canada to engage in assured employment in any one of such industries.

It will be noted that complete families who would need separate homes in towns or cities are not eligible.

The Canadian who brings in a relative must be in a position to house and establish that relative.

The officers must be satisfied about the character, the education, the ability of the immigrant. There is sometimes difficulty regarding frontier controls, identification, etc., in Europe. Medical examination must be made before embarkation. The minister made the following statement:

Medical facilities are established in Brussels, Paris and The Hague. The medical officers will deal with the medical inspection of immigrants and if it is satisfactory a visa will be given there. We are now dealing with the governments of Norway, Sweden and Portugal and very shortly we hope to make satisfactory arrangements with them so that the visas may be granted through the consular officers there. In consequence of the amendment which has been made, we expect that there will be a large influx of immigrants to this country, but I wish to point out that, although the shipping situation is much easier, it will be a still difficult to obtain transportation to this country.

F. W. GERSHAW.

Dulles of Curling Rink Personnel

At the request of curlers the following article on curling is presented. After reading it each curler will realize the importance of the rinkman. The third player has all the advantage—according to this analysis—and he receives most of the

Reception Friday Night For Ex-Service Men

On Friday night all the people of Gleichen and district should turn out and attend the Welcome Home Reception for the boys and girls who served in the Second Great War.

This reception will take place in the Gleichen Community Hall beginning at 8:30 p.m.

All preparations have been completed for a big evening which will start with a dance.

The presentation and speeches will be made at the midnight supper. The rest of the evening will be taken up with more dancing. Jack Bremner and his orchestra will be on hand to supply the music and with the program that has been drawn up a most pleasant evening should have been all.

plans for defeat. Now that the curling season is drawing to a close we're often asked—just what kind of a game is this anyway? how do you point? what is the idea of using a broom? Is the lead man the captain of the side, and is the word skip just an abbreviation of the skipper who sometimes see on a chunk of cheese?

That last question is often an embarrassing one to the average skip, as his mind immediately reverts to some of the easy shots he's missed, and for the time being he feels that the questioner is unconsciously getting nearer to the truth than he cares to admit. As we have never felt equal to the task of explaining the entire game to the uninitiated, we take the liberty of outlining the duties of the members of a curling rink. Please bear with us.

A LOWLY PERSON
The Lead—This is a very lowly person who leaves the first pair of rocks, and is supposed to thank them. Ditty once each day that he even exists, let alone being allowed to curl at any time.

All curlers have served this period of apprenticeship and it is a valuable feat that ninety per cent of them have never served long enough. His always addresses the skip as "Sir" and the third man "Mister".

This Lead person is supposed to see that the four pairs of stones are cleared and on the ice five minutes before the game is to start. He must do so within twenty-five per cent of the sweeping he is expected to keep the stones supplied with cigarettes and to purchase at least one bottle of Scotch essence per die. This is to be consumed by the rest of the rink and the skip of the opposing rink if he is defeated. Just one drink per defeated skip.

He is allowed over the hog line except when sweeping. He is not experienced enough to have blinds. His curling must be perfect or he is blamed for the loss of all games in which his risk suffers defeat. He may tell the second man what he thinks of the skip, but no one else. After many years he may become a skip if he survives the sarcasm of his associates.

ANOTHER MEHE MAN
The Second Player—This person is but one degree removed from the lead. He is expected to do fifteen per cent of the sweeping. He's also, like the lead, expected to keep the skip supplied with cigarettes, and the third man with matches. He must at all times get the two's in the supposed position—otherwise he is blamed for the loss of all games.

His chief duty is to see that the stones are kept in position to be swept. Before the game, and in case of emergency to assist the lead in financing the purchase of the rink. He is the one who is allowed to insult the lead—the third man and the skip considering it beneath their dignity to address either of them in conversation, except in cases of apparent oversight to ask, where's the bottle?

(To be concluded next week.)

A LOW PRICED CAR
The new model automobiles are admirable in appearance. The streamlined bodies the expansive chromium trimmings and richly upholstered interiors combine to make the modern vehicle an object of beauty. It's a pleasure to ride in one. But in our opinion the manufacturers have made one mistake. They have gone to so much expense in making their cars look attractive that they have pushed

the price beyond the means of the average working man and time may prove that they have lost for themselves thousands of prospective buyers.

There is a heavy demand at this moment for new automobiles, but a few months' production may change the situation to such an extent that dealers may have to get out and hustle for sales. If and when this time arrives, the manufacturers will soon learn that many Canadians cannot afford to pay fifteen hundred dollars for a new car, which is about the cost of the lowest priced machine on the market today. The carless-appeal of wartime days is past and people are beginning to be more careful with their money.

The majority of Canadian want a car for transportation purposes, rather than for its beauty. They want a machine that is sturdy built and mechanically sound, and many would be willing to accept a car of plain appearance provided that primary requirements are met.

We think that if a manufacturer were to make a car without the fancy trappings and chromium plated adorns as he tries to keep the cost down to around a thousand dollars he would find lots of customers. The need in Canada is for a low cost people's car, so that workers in the lower income brackets can enjoy the pleasures of motoring.

In spite of the guaranteed price for wheat, Alberta farmers are not losing sight of the possibility of a future surplus. They are looking for other crops that may be equally profitable and will at the same time fit well into the farming program.

In the choice of such crops officials of the Field Crops Branch suggest that flax should have a high priority where land is available. This is especially true in Southern Alberta where our largest wheat acreage is sown. Flax is not damaged by weevils and may very satisfactorily replace some of the wheat acreage in this area. Besides providing profitable if grown on suitable land, flax pressed in 1947 will help to relieve the present serious shortage of fats and oils.

The second thousand pounds of seed's cultivated acreage was sown in 1946. It could well be increased to at least three hundred thousand acres this year. Every bushel will be needed. Farmers who have not grown flax previously may consider the price of seed in relation to that of seed wheat. The cost per acre of seed is not unduly high, since the price of seedling is only 25 to 30 points per acre. If seed is hauled from a distance, this light rate of seedling is also an important factor in transportation. The average farm truck will carry on possible enough seed for a considerable acreage.

How far Canada's new immigration laws will go toward meeting our need for population and how much public support such programs attract are questions that very closely touch our economic future. Canada's farmers need very hard labor which cannot be found here. Lumbering too does not attract the numbers of men needed to meet the large construction program we must have. Many feel deeply that the connection between our need for population and the need of a million displaced persons suffering in Europe for a place and an opportunity to build homes, should be remembered now.

HERE AND THERE

Campbell Brown is the happiest man in town these days. On Monday Mrs. Brown presented him with a fine boy.

The ice carnival that was to have been held last Saturday evening was postponed owing to poor ice conditions. The warm weather for several days before played havoc with the ice. The carnival will take place next Saturday night weather permitting.

The members of the Legion opened their new hall for the first time last Friday evening. The event was largely attended and judging by reports all had a swell time.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sutermeister returned to town last week after spending several weeks at Clearwater, Manitoba visiting relatives.

Al Wilson, better known as Calgary Power, was around reading meters last week and at the same time he handed out the glad news that owing to the fact Gleichen folks used so much electric power last year they are going to have to pay less for "juice" this year.

Recently Bud Lester became the proud father of a daughter. This is how a paper in Berkeley, California, announced the event in the sports column: "Stork Lessens Pressure on Cal Sextet. Behind-the-scenes department: Fast, California-Ogden Club Ice hockey finale Friday night when Bud Lester suddenly fled inland after flicking in the first two goals of the Winged-Fo's 4-0 decision. Well, early in the third period, Bud noticed that his spouse, Helen, and her friends, including Don Acorn, 100 Arlington Drive, had left their ringside seats. Hurriedly he whipped off the ice, shuffled off his beryllium paraphernalia and took off for Lake Merritt Hospital, where shortly after his arrival he became the father of a beautiful daughter. Lester served the California sextet from 1939 through 1942, when he received an engineering degree. He's now employed in the drafting department of the P. G. and E. in San Francisco.

His was a rink romance, for Helen formerly managed the restaurant of the P. G. and E. in San Francisco. This was a rink romance, for Helen formerly managed the restaurant of the P. G. and E. in San Francisco.

SEEDTIME AND HARVEST
Liaison Service Bureau, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Dr. C. H. GOLDEN
Office: Chicago, Dominion Laboratory of Cereal Breeding, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Garry Oats
Many farmers are asking for further information on the new variety of oats that has recently been named "Garry".

Breeding Work. The work at the Dominion Laboratory of Cereal Breeding, began in 1925, has been concentrated from the first on the development of cereal varieties that are resistant to disease. At the first it was realized that complete resistance to all diseases of importance could not be obtained, but that a definite step; that it would be necessary to proceed by stages. Consequently, in the last breeding work, cereals have been continuously under the direction of Mr. J. N. Welsh, the first group of new varieties produced, namely, Vanguard, Ajax, and Excelsior, were resistant to the commonest occurring races of stem rust but did not have resistance to other races of stem rust which, at present, were quite rare in Western Canada. Unfortunately, these varieties were also susceptible to crown rust and to smut.

Resistance to Rust and Smut. In the production of the new variety "Garry" the breeding work has passed beyond the first stage. For instance, it has now been possible to combine in one variety not only resistance to all the known races of stem rust but resistance to crown rust and smut as well. In addition to this resistance to stem rust, "Garry" oats have good strength of straw, are medium early in time of maturity, and produce a good plump sample of white oats.

Seed Distribution. Seed of Garry will be made available for general distribution until the end of the 1947 crop season. Applications for seed, however, may be sent to the Dominion Laboratory of Cereal Breeding, the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg. They will be kept on file and looked after at the first opportunity.

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Mrs. N. Bowen who has been visiting relatives in the eastern United States for the past several months has returned to Gleichen and is present the guest of Mrs. J. A. Menard. She is enroute to her home in the Peace River country and after a visit there for several weeks will return to her eastern United States.

Among the young people from Gleichen who attended the Banff carnival last week end were Stan Hays, Miss Ethel Bates, Miss J. McQueen, Miss B. Edwards, and Teddy James.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Woods celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary last Friday. In honor of the event a few of their friends gave them a surprise party that evening. After playing bridge for several hours a presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Riddell entertained Mr. and Mrs. N. Anderson and family S. Hampton and Mr. and Mrs. G. Evans at dinner last Thursday evening.

The Gleichen hockey team was to have played at Arrowwood one night last week but the game was called off. However, the boys were determined to go somewhere so late in the afternoon made arrangements to play at Cluny. They won the game. They have never been defeated this winter and consequently everyone is proud of the team's record.

For several days last week beautiful spring like weather prevailed. Monday the weather changed and the worse. But spring cannot be very far off for on Saturday the young boys were to be seen playing marbles which is always a sure sign that spring is just around the corner.

"Twigs" Woods, wife and two children spent the weekend in town visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Eli Woods. Twigs is now with the Calgary Herald. There he passes his time tickling the keys of a typewriter so that his folks in Gleichen can get a daily paper and see what is going on in the world.

Seed cleaning time is here and with it is a very dangerous practice has been reported. Following cleaning of their seed grain at local seed cleaning plants or country elevators, some farmers are hauling screenings in open wagon or truck boxes. On windy days many of these seeds are blowing off the load and lying in wait for the spring warmth and moisture along the roadside or on neighboring fields. Hauling seeds in this manner is not only contrary to the Noxious Weeds Act says H. J. Mober, Supervisor of Soil Conservation and Weed Control, but it shows very poor management on the part of the offender. Many of our most troublesome weeds have been spread in this way. More care is urged in transporting screenings. Move them either in tied sacks or in tight box covered with a tarpaulin.



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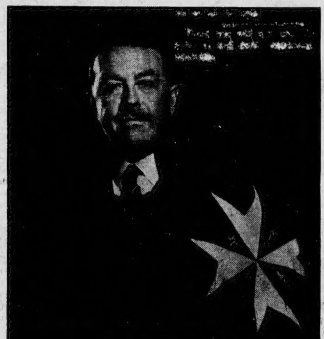
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